

**City of Chula Vista
Community Development Block Grant
Recovery Act Program (CDBG-R)
Third Substantial Amendment
to the
2008/2009 Annual Action Plan**

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DRAFT-CDBG-R SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT

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ENSURING RESPONSIBLE SPENDING OF RECOVERY ACT FUNDS

Funding available under the Recovery Act has clear purposes – to stimulate the economy through measures that modernize the Nation’s infrastructure, improve energy efficiency, and expand educational opportunities and access to health care. HUD strongly urges grantees to use CDBG-R funds for hard development costs associated with infrastructure activities that provide basic services to residents or activities that promote energy efficiency and conservation through rehabilitation or retrofitting of existing buildings. While the full range of CDBG activities is available to grantees, the Department strongly suggests that grantees incorporate consideration of the public perception of the intent of the Recovery Act in identifying and selecting projects for CDBG-R funding.

A. SPREADSHEET FOR REPORTING PROPOSED CDBG-R ACTIVITIES

Grantees must provide information concerning CDBG-R assisted activities in an electronic spreadsheet provided by HUD. The information that must be reported in the spreadsheet includes activity name, activity description, CDBG-R dollar amount budgeted, eligibility category, national objective citation, additional Recovery Act funds for the activity received from other programs, and total activity budget. An electronic copy of the spreadsheet and the format is available on HUD’s recovery website at <http://www.hud.gov/recovery>.

PLEASE REFER TO ATTACHMENT I OF THIS SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT

B. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY (COMPLETE FOR EACH ACTIVITY)

- (1) **Activity Name:** (Grantees should follow the same order that activities are listed in the Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities – this will allow HUD to easily match activity narratives with the information provided in the spreadsheet.)

***Third Avenue Streetscape Project
Green Careers Capacity Building Program***

- (2) **Activity Narrative:**

In addition to the Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities, grantees must provide a narrative for each activity describing how the use of the grantee's CDBG-R funds will meet the requirements of Title XII of Division A and Section 1602 of ARRA. The grantee's narrative must also state how CDBG-R funds will be used in a manner that maximizes job creation and economic benefit in relation to the CDBG-R funds obligated, and will address the Recovery Act, by:

- Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery;
- Assisting those most impacted by the recession;
- Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency;
- Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits;
- Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services; or
- Fostering energy independence.

Response: Projects approved by the City maximize job creation/retention and economic benefit through investment in infrastructure improvements and public services that will provide a long-term benefit. These projects will spur economic growth by putting people back to work as the unemployment rate in Chula Vista has grown substantially over the last year. The highest number of jobs that have been cut during this time period have been those related to the construction industry due to the slowdown in new home construction and number of building permits issued. The City's CDBG-R projects will address the employment issues, and will make a significant impact to the City in providing employment opportunities. Please refer to number 4 below and Attachment 1 for a more detailed description of each activity.

- (3) **Jobs Created:** (Report the number of full- and part-time jobs estimated to be created and retained by the activity (including permanent, construction, and temporary jobs)).

Response: Activity -

Jobs estimated created or retained per project (*to the greatest extent feasible*) are listed below:

<i>Third Avenue Streetscape Project:</i>	10 retained
<i>Green Careers Capacity Building Program:</i>	6 jobs created

- (4) **Additional Activity Information:** (A description of how the activity will promote energy conservation, smart growth, green building technologies, or reduced pollution emissions, if applicable.)

The Third Avenue Streetscape will improve and increase the walkability and pedestrian safety of this neighborhood with new lighting, sidewalks and access ramps. Through the public outreach process, residents have stated that the poor infrastructure in this area has limited their ability to walk, bicycle ride, access transportation hubs, and/or shop at the local neighborhood businesses. These improvements will eliminate some of the architectural barriers; poor infrastructure, that will, in turn allow people to leave their cars and reduce air pollution by promoting bicycle riding and walkability.

All infrastructure improvement projects are required to comply with the City's **Mandatory Recycling and Construction Demolition Debris** CVMC 8.25.095.

- At least a minimum of 90% of inert materials (rock, dirt, concrete, etc.) and 50% of the remaining construction and demolition waste generated must be recycled.
- Divert 90% of inert materials and 50% of all other debris from landfill disposal.

The Green Careers Capacity Building Program jobs will provide students with the skills necessary to be employed in fields that promote sustainability such as green building design, solar panel installation, energy efficiency audits, and installation of home energy star rated appliances and windows.

- (5) **Responsible Organization:** (Contact information for the organization that will implement the CDBG-R activity, including its name, location, and administrator contact information)

Third Avenue Streetscape Project-

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Green Careers Capacity Building Program

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Provide a summary of public comments received to the proposed CDBG-R Substantial Amendment.

Note: A Proposed CDBG-R Substantial Amendment must be published via the usual methods and posted on the jurisdiction's website for no less than 7 calendar days for public comment.

Response: Consistent with our Citizen Participation Plan, City of Chula is undertaking several activities to provide reasonable notice of and an opportunity to comment on this proposed substantial amendment to the 2008/2009 Action Plan. A Public Notice for comments on the substantial amendment and the opportunity for public comment is being published in summary form in the Star News, the newspaper of general circulation for Chula Vista, on May 15, 2009. The notice includes a description of the contents and purpose of the substantial amendment. Copies of the proposed amendment are being made available at the City of Chula's Redevelopment and Housing website and office. The public comment period is open for a 15-day period through May 30, 2009. Any public comments received will be taken into consideration prior to the submittal of this amendment. The public will have a final opportunity to comment on the proposed amendment on June 2, 2009 when the City Council considers adoption of the amendment at a public meeting. This section is scheduled to be completed after the close of the public comment period.

C. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Title

CDBG-R
Activity Data Spreadsheet

Jurisdiction/Grantee Name: City of Chula Vista		CDBG-R Formula Grant Amount: \$536,132				Date: 6/02/2009	
Activity Name	Activity Description	Eligibility (Regulatory or HCDA Citation)	National Objective Citation	CDBG-R Project Budget (\$)	Additional Recovery Funds (\$)	Other Leveraged Funding (\$)	Total Activity Budget
Third Avenue Street Scape	Street design and accessibility improvements along Third Avenue. Leveraging with SANDAG funds (\$2m) and a commitment of \$800,000 of City Redevelopment funding the project can be fully designed from H St. to E St., but can only be constructed from H St. to Park Way. CDBG-R funds will allow an additional phase to be completed, perhaps to F St.	570.201(C) Public Improvements	570.208 (a)(1) Activities Benefiting Low- and Moderate Income Persons-Area benefit	\$500,000		\$ 2,800,000	\$ 3,300,000
Green Career Capacity Building Program	A proposed job training project in conjunction with Southwestern College and the City's Home Upgrade/Carbon Downgrade program. A new training program will be implemented at Southwestern College for future jobs in "Green Building Technologies". The City's Conservation & Environmental Services Department will encourage apprenticeship/employment opportunities through their Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant-funded projects and programs.	570.201(E) Public Services	570.208 (a)(1) Activities Benefiting Low- and Moderate Income Persons- Limited Clientele	\$ 36,125	\$10,000	\$0	\$ 46,125